

## CLAIMS

What is claimed is:

1. *sub as 5* A bartering system for implementing barter between a plurality of parties each having one or more classes of items available for barter comprising:
- means for creating a barter order including:
    - means for designating a selected quantity of a first class of items to be bartered;
    - means for designating a date range for transferring title of said selected quantity of said first class of items to be bartered whereby a barterer may elect to defer the transfer of title to said first class items to a time after the barter order is used to complete a barter transaction or elect to transfer title along with the completion of such a barter transaction;
    - means for designating a barter value of said first class of items to be bartered;
  - and
  - means for designating a second class of items to be acquired;
  - means for posting barter orders via the Internet to a barter database;
  - 10 means for displaying via the Internet posted barter orders whose first class of items match the second class of items of a barterer's order; and
  - 15 means for selecting a posted barter order from said displaying means to effectuate a barter transaction which combines a barterer's barter order with the selected posted order.
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